



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Sarah Brown, Treasurer
Ohio State Central & Executive Committee
211 S. Fifth Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Response Due Date:
October 24, 2005

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Reference: Amended February Monthly Report (1/1/05 – 1/31/05), received 4/25/05

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 17 of your report discloses one or more receipts totaling \$2,156.75 from the "State of Ohio". Please amend your report to clarify the nature of these receipts.

-Your report discloses a total of \$1,900 in disbursements to Citizens for Jim Trakas for "72 hr media center reimbursement" (see attached). This appears to be an in-kind contribution made on behalf of your committee as the original payment for the goods and services has been made by an entity other than your committee. Further, Citizens for Jim Trakas appears to be an unregistered organization. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) states that no candidate or political committee shall knowingly accept any contribution or make any expenditure in violation of the provisions of this section. Further, in order for a committee to accept contributions from unregistered organizations, your committee should take steps to insure that the contributor(s) used permissible funds to make the contribution(s) to avoid violating §§441a(f) and 441b or 11 CFR §102.5(b).

Additionally, under 11 CFR §102.5(b), organizations which are not political committees under the Act and choose to contribute to federal committees must either: 1) establish a separate account which contains only those funds

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